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MEETING IN WASHINGTON

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1. AUGUST 29 PRESIDENT MORALES BERMUDEZ HOSTED A LUNCHEON FOR CENTRAL FIGURES IN THE RECENT NEGOTIATIONS WHICH CULMINATED IN AN AGREEMENT ON AN AUTOMOTIVE PROGRAM FOR THE ANDEAN COMMON MARKET (ANCOM). AT THE LUNCHEON PRESIDENT MORALES BERMUDEZ PROPOSED THAT THE ANCOM COUNTRIES FURTHER CONTRIBUTE TO THE PRESENT MOMENTUM WITHIN ANCOM BY HOLDING A MEETING OF ANCOM PRESIDENTS DURING THEIR STAY IN WASHINGTON FOR THE SIGNING OF THE PANAMA CANAL TREATY. VENEZUELAN ANCOM COMMISSION MEMBER REYNALDO DIGUEREDO ANNOUNCED
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IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE LUNCHEON THAT VENEZUELA SUPPORTED THE PROPOSAL AND ALSO PLANNED BILATERAL MEETINGS WITH MORALES BERMUDEZ. ANCOM COMMISSION PRESIDENT GALO MONTANO MADE A SIMILAR STATEMENT ON BEHALF OF ECUADOR. NO AGENDA WAS GIVEN FOR THE PROPOSED MEETING BUT PRESUMABLY IT WOULD INCLUDE THE TENTATIVE AUTOMOTIVE PROGRAM SCHEDULED TO BE

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2. IN TALKING TO REPORTERS FIGUERDO IMPLIED THAT THEIR BILATERAL MEETING WOULD FOCUS ON ECONOMIC COOPERATION. HE DID NOT TAKE EXCEPTION TO REPORTERS MENTION OF RUMORS THAT VENEZUELA WOULD EXTEND CREDITS FOR DOLS 150 MILLION TO PERU AND IN FACT CONFIRMED THAT THE TWO COUNTRIES' CENTRAL BANKS ARE DISCUSSING VARIOUS PROPOSALS. HE ALSO SAID THAT VENEZUELA AND PERU HAD BEEN DISCUSSING COOPERATIVE VENTURES IN FERTILIZER AND MINING.

3. COMMENT: NO REACTION HAS BEEN SEEN FROM COLOMBIA OR BOLIVIA BUT WE PRESUME THEY WILL RESPOND FAVORABLY. IF SUMMIT IS HELD, IT WOULD SEEM TO PRESENT AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THE USG TO EMPHASIZE OUR SUPPORT FOR THE PROCESS OF ECONOMIC INTEGRATION. THE DEPARTMENT MAY WISH TO CONSIDER HAVING STATEMENT ISSUED AT APPROPRIATE LEVEL WHICH WOULD EXPRESS SATISFACTION THAT PANAMA CANAL TREATY SIGNING HAS PROVIDED AN OPPORTUNITY FOR ANCOM PRESIDENTS' MEETING. THE STATEMENT COULD SIMILARLY EXPRESS US SATISFACTION AT THE RECENT PROGRESS IN THE ANCOM INTEGRATION PROCESS.
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